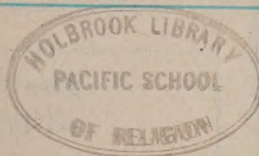


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"The Waters Had Overwhelmed Us"

Secretary Richard E. West caught this picture of Dr. Jesse E. Bartholomew, pastor of the Second Presbyterian Church of North Topeka, just as he was carrying out the ruined remains of his pulpit Bible. The Society will replace it—and many others.

(See page 116)



GOD GO WITH YOU

The American Bible Society supplies Scriptures of all types and in many languages to service men.

“ . . . The Whole Armor . . . ”

The Society's Secretary for Visual Materials here announces the production of a New Sound-motion Picture describing the Bible Society's ministry to Service Men and Women

BY HENRY H. RAGATZ

WHEN Paul wrote “put on the whole armor of God” he was speaking to men of our day as well as his. He lists the necessary items: truth, righteousness, the gospel of peace; faith, salvation and the Word of God. Scientific progress has outmoded the breastplate and the sword, but man still needs the whole armor of God—perhaps more than ever before.

A soldier recently wrote, “There comes a moment when for the first time there is nothing between you and the enemy shooting at you. You feel naked and empty.” At such times the whole armor of God, which Paul describes, takes on a new and very real meaning.

With the present military requirements reaching into every city and village, there is a tremendous urgency that we supply ample quantities of “the sword of the spirit” to our men and women in military service. The Society may well be proud of its record—more than 33 million copies known to be supplied to our Armed Forces for the past 130 years. Present needs and opportunities are expanding rapidly. It appears they will continue for some years to come.

To help meet this need the Society is asking for contributions. What the little military Testaments mean to our

Service personnel is a challenge to all of us. One chaplain says, “The amazing thing to me is that they keep on asking for them . . . I can only suggest that you be as generous as possible in making continued contributions so the supply of Testaments will be ample.”

“The Whole Armor” is the title of a new motion picture the American Bible Society has produced. It was filmed almost entirely on military installations in this country or by the Signal Corps in combat areas abroad. It shows how the Service Testaments are produced, distributed and used.

It is hoped that the picture will be seen by the friends and families of every Service man and that it will be shown in all churches from which young men and women will be leaving to enter military training. It offers a thrilling message of hope. The central character of the picture is the Society's Service

edition of the New Testament. In some scenes the people on the screen speak; the rest is narrated. The Secretaries of the Society hope that the showing of this picture will result in contributions and offerings to assist the Society in meeting the emergency needs for Scriptures for our Service personnel. You are invited to write to your nearest American Bible Society office for a booking.



Corporal Burnis L. Galligher of Columbus, Ohio (second from right) receives from Chaplain Ivan L. Bennett the 25,000th copy of the American Bible Society New Testament distributed to service men passing through the Replacement Center in Japan.

“ . . . The Whole Armor . . . ” 16 mm sound; 20 minutes; Kodachrome color (except for some official Signal Corps scenes); loaned free, user expected to pay return insured transportation. The Society hopes this picture will be widely used by churches and organizations desiring to send in offerings for Military Testaments, but will gladly send the film to anyone without obligation. Please order from your nearest American Bible Society office or from New York.

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More Bible Reading in America

WE BELIEVE there is; here are some of the reasons for our conviction. First of all, some plain figures; no, maybe eloquent figures.

In the first six months of this year the American Bible Society's distribution in the United States was 4,766,736 as against 2,605,201 for the similar period last year, a gain of almost 83 percent.

The mounting demand was also reflected in the field of commercial Bible publication. One such publisher reports that in the first six months of this year he had sold over 1,000,000 Scripture volumes, which equaled his output for the whole of 1950. He further stated that on July first he had on hand orders for 2,200,000 volumes, which it would take him two years to fill.

As far as the Bible Society's figures are concerned, the geographical analysis reveals that the increase was general. Of the donated volumes in the first six months, almost half of the increase is accounted for by the 159,126 New Testaments furnished to our men and women in the Armed Services; but this figure is only a small part of the whole.

The explanation lies deeper than these surface indications. The Churches in America are growing, not only numerically but also in spiritual earnestness. Pastors are preaching the Bible. Sunday schools are multiplying, as also did Church Vacation Schools notably this summer.

The popular magazines are popular because they present material in which the people are currently interested. Well, there has possibly never been so much writing about the Bible as there has been in 1951 in the magazines and newspapers. More than one of the most widely read newspaper columnists has devoted a whole column in recent weeks to the

Bible, urging readers to turn to it for light and guidance.

Just now the Bible Society is perfecting its plans for the celebration of the eighth annual observance of Worldwide Bible Reading, which finds its greatest support in the United States. A packet of suggestions was sent last month to every pastor and chaplain whose address could be ascertained—150,000 of them. The observance centers in a list of daily Readings to be followed from Thanksgiving to Christmas. It is certain that the success of this observance since its inception in 1944 has played its part in stimulating new interest in Bible reading. The Society has great hopes for this year. These hopes are grounded not a little in the faithful response of readers of the *Record*. There is much that they can do to heighten interest in Worldwide Bible Reading. They can become readers themselves. They can encourage their pastors to organize and stimulate their churches and their communities to participate fully in the celebration. They can furnish Bibles and Testaments to people without them—needy, forgotten, possibly foreign-speaking people.

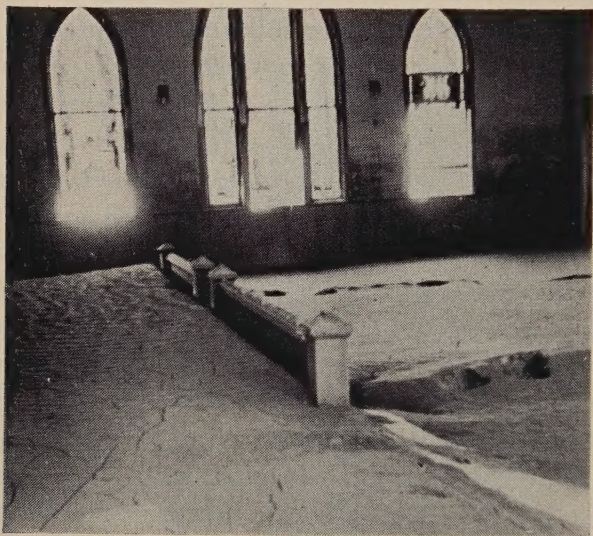
Yes, it seems certain that more people are reading the Bible in the United States than were doing so in the recent past. But there are millions yet to whom God's Word is entirely unknown. The Bible gave America its start in honor, integrity, courage and vision. Our glowing history of progress and charitableness has been written in the light of the Bible's teachings. But Bible reading has not kept pace with our rapid growth in recent decades. We are far from a Bible-reading nation today. In this new atomic "One World" we shall have to be, to survive. Evidently we are on the way; let us move forward with steadfast zeal.

"The Waters Had Overwhelmed Us"

Psalm 124:4

DISASTER can strike practically no spot in the United States without destroying hundreds of Bibles—Bibles in people's homes and Bibles in churches and Sunday schools. When disaster strikes the police are there, the Red Cross is there, neighboring communities bring help; even the Army marches in if necessary. Do any of them replace lost Bibles? No? Who, then, does?—The American Bible Society.

From its earliest days over a century and a quarter ago, the American Bible Society has recognized and assumed its responsibility for replacing Bibles lost in flood, fire, tornado or earthquake. One of the first to appear among those who have come to rescue and to help is the Society's representative with his stock of Books.



This is the way the sanctuary of the Kansas Avenue Methodist Church, Topeka appeared after the weight of the mud had broken through the floor, filling the basement and standing two feet above the floor. The furniture that was not fastened down floated away where the current was strong.

So it was in July, after the Kansas and Missouri Rivers had risen to unprecedented levels to create the most disastrous flood ever known in that area or in the history of the United States.

Secretary Richard E. West of the Society's Rocky Mountain District, which includes Kansas and the Kansas City metropolitan district, and Secretary Richard H. Ellingson of the Northwestern District, which includes Missouri, have both visited the flood area and made full arrangements to meet the needs as far as they are revealed.

Wrote Secretary West, "I have just spent a week in the midst of the most heart-rending need I have ever seen. As usual, the flood hit the kind of people who can least afford the loss. . . . I took 150 Bibles

with me and they were gone before I knew it. With the total now of twenty-two churches in Kansas City, Kansas, alone, you can guess the number of requests we will have. . . .

"We have provided a depository for Bibles, and information on how to secure them, to the destroyed churches in the following centers: Kansas City, Mo. Lawrence, Topeka, Ottawa and Manhattan, Kansas. On the basis of a "minimum" estimate from the leaders we have already sent 1,012 Bibles. This is not a very large quantity, when the number of churches known to be heavily damaged stands at 67 in those centers alone.

"I have seen the major damage to homes, crops, businesses and churches in Hays, Wichita, Marion, Newton, Cedar Point, Elmdale, Staffordville, Neosho Rapids, Iola, Ottawa, North Lawrence, North Topeka, Manhattan, Junction City, and the Argentine and Armordale districts of Kansas City, Kansas. I finally put on old clothes and waded mud to talk to pastors who are working shoulder to shoulder with the people who are digging out. . . .

"Some of the pastors, whose churches and parsonages were hit the most, are personal friends. You can imagine how hard it was to leave them in the midst of their troubles without stopping to lend a personal hand. I shed tears more than once as I walked away from a family that had lost all their personal possessions, and were still digging out with that quiet persistence that made me think of Edwin Markham's "The Man with the Hoe." It made me feel how sheltered I have been personally. I came home worn out from going day and night for a week; and I was ashamed, for how easy was that as compared to their limitless tasks. . . .

"I found little of bitterness, but a real need for the hope that our work can give. If ever a people needed the optimism of the Bible, it is there. You cannot know how appreciative the pastors and church leaders have been. One said, "I just hadn't thought about the Society, but I should have known you would help." Another said, "Just this morning I talked to one of our churchwomen. She said, 'Yes, we lost everything, I don't even have a Bible!'" I gave him a Bible to take to that lady right away.

Secretary Ellingson sent the following letter to the Missouri Council of Churches, which was published in their August *Bulletin*, with a circulation of 29,000.

To the Pastors of Missouri Churches:

The American Bible Society is deeply distressed to learn of the disastrous Missouri flood. As in every disaster, the Society is prepared to resupply without charge, to the limit of its ability, Bibles and (or) New Testaments destroyed in the flood. Any church or Sunday school that

has lost Bibles or Testaments should notify the American Bible Society District office, 47 South Ninth Street, Minneapolis 2, Minnesota, of their needs.

Where pastors know of individuals who have lost Bibles, the Society will, upon word of the pastor of such cases, send the needed Bibles or Testaments. Please indicate if extra-large print is needed.

The American Bible Society expects to be able to fill all such needs for individuals and congregations. You as a pastor can help the Society to determine actual losses by individuals and churches by writing to us concerning the needs of your congregation and community.

Similar letters were sent to East St. Louis and other areas not covered by the Missouri Council, but in the flood area.

In addition to what was done by the Northwestern and Rocky Mountain Districts, the Society's headquarters sent a release to the religious press offering Scriptures to homes and churches which lost them in the flood. To headquarters have also come urgent requests for Braille Bibles and portions of the Bible.

The Society has always found that the Christian people of this country will make it possible to supply

a Bible to any American home where disaster has struck, and that this occasion, however widespread the devastation, will provide opportunities for the distribution of the Word of God.

These people will, many of them, eventually supply themselves with Bibles of their choice when they have the necessary funds for such expenditure; but now, when they need them most, the American Bible Society is prepared to give an inexpensive but well-bound Bible to every family that has suffered loss, and to churches where the need exists.

You Can Help

You may share in this ministry of mercy. Simply send your gifts marked "Flood" and they will be used to furnish Bibles where the need is greatest. If you wish to send Bibles to a particular family, you may address your request to the address of the nearest Bible Society office or to the Headquarters, 450 Park Avenue, New York 22, N.Y. Contributions for Scriptures for the blind should all be sent to headquarters marked "for the blind."

A Bible For An Archbishop

FIFTEEN hundred years ago Christianity came to the country now known as Ethiopia. It came from Egypt and it came with the Bible. During all these centuries the Ethiopian Church has treasured the Scriptures in public worship and private devotion; and the flame of the faith has been kept burning despite isolation from the rest of Christendom, war, persecution and the threatening tides of Islam.

Yet until this year 1951 the Ethiopian Church has never had a duly consecrated native archbishop: its bishops were Egyptians, chosen and consecrated in Egypt by the Patriarch of the Coptic Church. This meant that the Church, during the centuries when it was like a Christian island in

a sea of Mohammedanism, was sometimes for years together without a bishop to ordain or confirm. But even more unfortunate was the fact that the dependence upon Egypt has meant that the leaders of the Church in Ethiopia have tended to be alienated in interest and sympathy from the people they were called to shepherd. Now at last, the head of the Ethiopian Church is himself a native Ethiopian—who all his life has been closely identified with his nation's Church. Archbishop Basilios, who was the Itchegi (chief administrator of the Church) at the time of the Italian invasion, went into exile with the Emperor, Haile Selassie, and returned with him in 1941 to help in building again the life and spirit of the liberated people. He was consecrated archbishop on January 14, 1951, and will himself consecrate other Ethiopian bishops to serve the growing Church. This event marks a new day of independence and responsibility for the Ethiopian Church and its leaders.

Recently, in celebration of this Ethiopian Church "Independence Day," Rev. L. V. D. Ashley, the representative of the Bible Societies in Ethiopia, presented Archbishop Basilios on the Societies' behalf with a specially bound and inscribed copy of the Bible in Amharic, the official language of the people of Ethiopia. In acknowledging the gift, the Archbishop spoke appreciatively of the work of Scripture distribution being done in his country and expressed the hope that the Bible Societies would be able to do yet more to extend the knowledge of God's Word. His desire is that his people should be "a people of the Book."

As a footnote it may be added that when the Ethiopian army contingent left for the war in Korea, every soldier who desired to have one was provided with an Amharic New Testament for his kit-bag. This provision was made by the war office at the command of His Imperial Majesty the Emperor.

Rev. L. V. D. Ashley presents the Bible in Amharic to Archbishop Basilios of Ethiopia.



"We Are All One In Christ"

The American Bible Society's Secretary in Brazil reports on the Progress in Bible Work in that great land where the Cause of Christ is flourishing mightily and the Demand for the Scriptures is immeasurable

BY LEWIS M. BRATCHER, JR.

IT WAS the closing minutes of the First General Assembly of the Brazil Bible Society, held in the Bible House in the beautiful city of Rio de Janeiro. For three days Evangelical leaders from nineteen of Brazil's twenty States, and from the Federal District, had met to consider the ever-growing work of making known God's Word in the land of the Southern Cross. From morning to night they had prayed and worked, listening to the information given by the Executive Secretary of the Brazil Bible Society, Rev. Ewaldo Alves, and that presented by the two cooperating Secretaries, Mr. C. H. Morris of the British and Foreign Bible Society and Rev. L. M. Bratcher, Jr. of the American Bible Society. Serious problems had been discussed, great plans had been made for the future; and now, as the closing moments approached, they were aware of the harmony and the spirit of Christian love which had dominated their work.

Individually they were Christian leaders of eleven denominations, and while the great majority were ministers, some were business men, journalists, lawyers, doctors; but during the days spent in the Bible House, these differences had been forgotten, and they had worked and prayed as servants of their common Lord—men eager to make His message known to their fellow countrymen. It was then that one of them arose and with permission from the chairman, thus spoke: "These have been days of spiritual feasting and rejoicing. Gathered about His Word, our differences have been forgotten, and our love for Him has dominated. I move, Mr. President, that this General Assembly in its closing moments adopt the following theme: 'We Are All One in Christ.'" As he sat down, the silence which greeted his remarks indicated how closely he had expressed the thoughts of all those present. The motion adopted, a closing prayer brought to an end the last session of the First General Assembly of the Brazil Bible Society.

Never before in the history of the Evangelical work in Brazil had there been such a meeting. On the 12th of June the Board of Directors had met. On the 13th



The speakers at the three evening meetings of the First General Assembly of the Brazil Bible Society. Left to right: Rev. B. N. Quintanilha; Rev. José B. dos Santos, Jr.; Rev. João Paiva.

and 14th the Assembly had been in session. From all over Brazil the delegates had come, some for the first time to Rio de Janeiro, capital of Brazil, where the Bible Society has its headquarters. From Manaus, capital of Amazonas, located 1,000 miles inland on the banks of the great Amazon River, as from Rio Grande do Sul, southernmost State of Brazil; from Cuiabá, tiny capital of the immense and undeveloped State of Mato Grosso, as from Fortaleza, capital of the often drought-plagued coastal State of Ceará—from all but one of Brazil's States, messengers representing the regional Auxiliary Societies of the Brazil Bible Society met to consider how best to develop their work together. Secretary Alves reminded them of the open door—one that might not always be open, but one that today permitted the Bible Society to go anywhere in this great land and distribute the Word. He mentioned also the outstanding acceptance of the Bible Society among all groups, in all sections of the country; of the "many that in so short a space of time have done so much." Mr. Bratcher spoke of the 302,263 Bibles, the 312,338 New Testaments, the 3,665,592 Gospels and Portions that had been distributed in the 35 months since the Brazil Bible Society had been organized, and of the great need for ever-increasing production and distribution in order to meet the hunger that exists in the hearts of millions. Mr. Morris spoke of the 14,000,000 cruzeiros spent in making the message known, and how directly or indirectly 13,000,000 cruzeiros of this had been furnished by the American Bible Society and the British and Foreign Bible Society, with 1,000,000 cruzeiros received from local sources. He mentioned the ever-growing list of members of the Society, now close to 13,000, and the increasing support given to the Society by the Churches on Bible Sunday. Bishop Dacorso, President of the Society, reminded them of the great debt the Brazil Bible Society owes to the American Bible Society and the British and Foreign Bible Society, and of the need of ever-increasing help from the Brazilian Evangelicals in order that the burden on

the cooperating Societies might not become too great. He spoke feelingly of the victories won in the first three years, of the problems still to be solved, of the difficulties to be surmounted. Sr. Gonçalves, spoke of the work done by the Revision Committee; of the fact that the New Testament would soon be ready for distribution; and of the modified plans for work on the Old Testament so that within a few years the Bible, in the language of today, would be ready to speak to the heart of the Brazilian people.

With the information before them, the Assembly considered carefully the actions to be taken. In accordance with the Constitution of the Brazil Bible Society they elected a new Board of Directors, one composed of representatives from all sections of Brazil, with eleven denominations represented. Modifications were made in the Constitution and By-Laws in order that the Society might serve the Evangelical cause more effectively. Gratitude was expressed for the help received from the cooperating Societies and for the work of the cooperating Secretaries. Those who had served in the past were not forgotten, and the picture of the first Executive Secretary, Bishop Egmont Machado Krischke, was unveiled; and plans were made to place in the Bible House the picture of Dr. H. C. Tucker, from 1887 to 1934 Secretary of the American Bible Society in Brazil and today Secretary Emeritus and Honorary Member of the Board of Directors of the Brazil Bible Society.

But the highlight of the Assembly came when reports were heard from all the Auxiliaries. From the Amazon came the report of how the list of members had grown from a little over two hundred to more than a thousand. From Maranhão came the news that the governor of the State, although not a member of an Evangelical church, was a member of the Bible Society. From Salvador, oldest city in Brazil, and heart of semi-pagan religious observances, came news of great public gatherings where the Bible had been distributed, and of the special effort that had been made last year at the time the city celebrated its 450th anniversary, when booths had been placed in all parts of the city, and the Bible had been purchased and read by countless thousands. From São Paulo, "capital of the Evangelical work," the information came of the thousands who had met on Bible Sunday to dedicate themselves to the work of the Word. From Curitiba, capital of the fastest-growing State in Brazil, where cities are springing up overnight, came news of the intensive activities on Bible Sunday and other occasions.

But the climax of the General Assembly came not in the meetings but in the worship services which the Brazil Bible Society sponsored on the nights of the 12th, 13th, and 14th of June. On the 12th, in the beautiful sanctuary of the First Baptist Church, where exactly three years previously the Brazil Bible Society had been inaugurated, a representative group of the Evangelical work in Rio met to hear Rev.

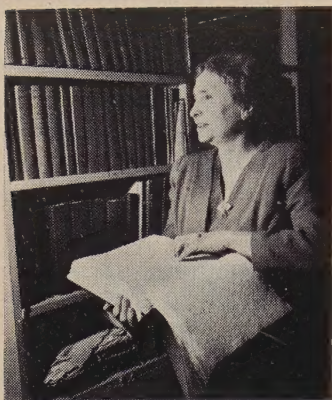
José Borges dos Santos, Jr., one of the outstanding ministers in Brazil, bring a heart-stirring message on "The Word Is the Seed." With an extensive knowledge of Evangelical work in Brazil, Mr. Borges told of lives transformed, churches started, thousands won—all through the work of the Bible Societies down through the years. On the 13th, at the Methodist



Mr. Bratcher, the American Bible Society's Secretary in Brazil (extreme left) with members of the São Paulo Auxiliary in the stock room of the Depot in São Paulo

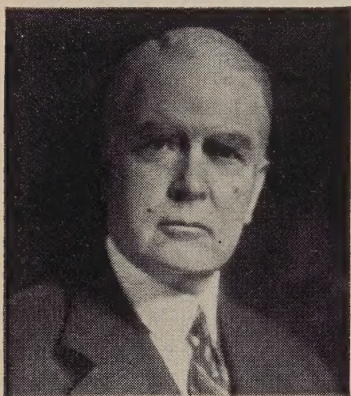
Church Rev. João Viana Paiva spoke to a great audience on "I have a message for you from God," revealing how necessary it was for men to live conscious of God's message. The climax came, however, on the 14th, when at the Assemblies of God church over 2,500 people filled the room to capacity, overflowed into the streets and gathered in the public park facing the church to hear the program over loud-speakers. From the moment when the choir opened the service with the singing of the "Alleluia Chorus" from Handel's "Messiah" to the close, when the great audience, singing the hymn, "The Bible," lifted high into the air over two thousand copies of the Bible, all felt the power of "the Book that unites all men." The message by Rev. Benedito Natal Quintanilha on "You Must Work in Order to Enter the Kingdom of God" found a responsive echo from all who heard him; it was a fitting climax to the work and plans of the Assembly.

With the inspiration of these meetings comes dedication to the task. As the Brazil Bible Society faces its second phase of work, it does so with prayers of petition and thanksgiving. It thanks God for the past, for the countless thousands of friends in America and England who through the American and British Bible Societies made known in Brazil the Word of God, and is making possible the development of the work of the Brazil Bible Society. It prays that in the future, as never before, these friends, united with the countless thousands who are working in Brazil, may so labor that the day may soon dawn when the message of the Book has become a living part of the life and the soul of the Brazilian people.



DR. HELEN KELLER

Unless we form the habit of going to the Bible in bright moments as well as in trouble, we cannot fully respond to its consolations, because we lack equilibrium between light and darkness.



DR. JOHN R. MOTT

The Bible not only continues to play its significant part in winning souls *for* Christ, but now in addition it has a political value as a bulwark *against* an opposing way of life which is based on godlessness and which threatens to engulf the entire earth.

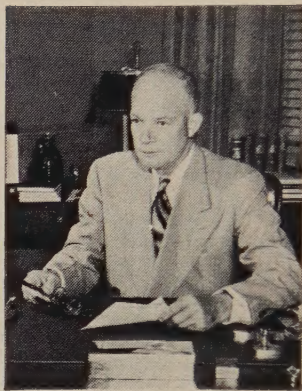
ADMIRAL CHESTER W. NIMITZ

The Bible will continue to command profound attention as long as the human race shall endure, for in it is set down the revealed wisdom of the past with respect to human conduct. In it is the story of sacrifice and selfless service to others upon which are founded the inherent dignities and freedoms of the individual which we treasure and guard today.



The pictures on these pages are of 12 of the 44 sponsors from Thanksgiving to Christmas this year. The other sponsors are: Ronald Bridges, Karl T. Compton, Glenn Cunningham, H. T. Jones, Walter H. Judd, Admiral Ernest J. King, James F. Mather, Dorothy Maynor, Robert A. Millikan, J. C. Pennington, C. C. Spaulding, Robert Gordon Sproul, Amos Alonzo Stott, Mrs. James D. Wyker.

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GENERAL DWIGHT D. EISENHOWER

The longer one lives close to the turmoil and sacrifice and suffering of the battlefield, the more he becomes conscious of the eternal worth of the spiritual values inherent in the Christian religion. . . . Every moment which increases general familiarization with those principles has a direct uplifting effect upon the soldiery and citizens of the United Nations. In such efforts I stand ever ready to assist.

FAITH BALDWIN

I read the Bible daily before my work, using the calendar Readings. Wish we could suggest to people to keep a Bible by their engagement calendar. It works. If it had not been for my Bible, I could not have written *The Whole Armor*.



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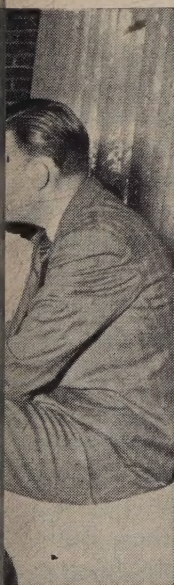


CAPTAIN EDDIE RICKENBACKER

The Bible is One Book for One World. . . .
 Today I realize that I probably would not
 be here, had it not been for the spiritual
 light and the moral power learned from this
 Book, which has carried me through the
 many crises of my life.

JOHN FOSTER DULLES

The fact that so many soldiers of different
 races and nations are today reading and
 studying the same Bible means a great deal,
 not only in terms of their own individual
 lives but in terms of bringing the whole
 human race to a unifying determination to
 live up to a moral law, which is just as real
 as are the laws of physics. As we learn God's
 holy purpose and as we make ourselves into
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 God's design.



Pasadena office (right)
 to Roy Rogers and his
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 happy to serve as one
 his wife would be glad
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PRESIDENT HARRY S. TRUMAN

I think the American Bible Society's annual
 appeal for assiduous reading of the Scrip-
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 Days has great merit. Never was a weary
 world more in need of the message which
 the Bible alone could bring to nations rent
 by anger, hatred and ill will.



DR. CHANNING H. TOBIAS

The Bible is the source of world culture,
 whether viewed as pure literature or the in-
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 more than that, it is the handbook by which
 believers in the Christian faith order their
 lives. Nothing could have a greater effect in
 adjusting differences among men than a
 study of the ethical teachings of the Word
 of God.

LOWELL THOMAS

The peoples of this world need Christianity
 as never before. The hour is late. I am glad
 to do anything I can.



First Encounter

"In his heart was no message and on his tongue no language." Somehow he dare not try to escape down the narrow lane he saw. Then God opened the door.

BY F. LYMAN MACCALLUM

FILOTHEOS ZIKAS began life as the son of the American Bible Society colporteur stationed at Ordu on the Black Sea coast of Turkey. Greek was the language of the home, for they were part of a Greek community which had been trading in that port since before the Romans came. Then the tides of the First World War swept over them, and after years of adventure and danger Filotheos found himself a citizen of Greece and attending an American institution, the Near East School of Theology. Because he knew a little Turkish, perhaps hardly more than a few hundred words, his professors encouraged him to prepare for work among the Mohammedan Turks, of whom scores of thousands live in Thrace, the northeast section of the kingdom of Greece. After a year of theological study came the days of summer field work, and the young man found himself in a little hotel in the Thracian town of Xanthi, where tobacco is king and Turkish is the common language.

Filotheos was sick at heart. How had he ever allowed his teachers to talk him into such a mad undertaking. There were his two bags, heavy with Turkish tracts and Scriptures; but in his heart was no message, and on his tongue no language. How could he face fanaticism, scorn, jeers? Perhaps he would be stoned—his own fault too. Work among Muslims had seemed a beautiful ideal back in the classroom, but in this Muslim town it seemed unbearable. The night hours brought no sleep, nor prayers much comfort.

But with the early daylight came enough courage to pocket a few tracts and venture out timidly, rather like an exploring mouse. The town was not yet awake, but he had not gone far before he saw coming toward him the sight he had most reason to dread—a bearded man wearing turban and gown. It was obviously the imam (priest) of some mosque, returning after having conducted the dawn prayer. Here was the "enemy" in person, one who could rouse the faithful and set the young men of the mosque to mobbing the trembling distributor of tracts. While Filotheos stared helplessly, turban and beard bore down upon him threateningly. But suddenly he noticed beside him a narrow street or lane, down which he could turn and escape this untimely encounter. Yet somehow, to run away now seemed even worse than to stand fast. So with a frightened sort of plunge he stepped up to the imam and silently held out a Turkish tract. The man gave it a quick glance and then turned a pair of piercing eyes on the youth. That long, searching gaze was like a whipping. All the young man's

weakness and rashness stood rawly exposed. When at last the imam spoke, his voice was quiet. "Young man," he asked, "do you know the Bible House in Istanbul?"

The breath Filotheos had been holding in too long came out in an affirmative gasp. What son of the Bible Society from Turkey would not know the Bible House?

"Come with me," said the imam, leading the way to a small park consisting of a few weary plane trees surrounding a marble bust and shading a few benches, on one of which they sat down. "Do you have a New Testament in Turkish?" was the imam's next surprising question.

"No," answered the youth. "No—that is, yes. Sit here. I'll fetch it." His Turkish was enough for that. He sprinted for the hotel, snatched a copy from his heavy bag, and on the way back it seemed to him that he was flying. Excitement and joy such as he had never known gave him wings. It was a relief to see the turban still on the other side of the park wall as he rounded the corner. "There!" he panted, thrusting the book into the man's hands. He opened it, slowly read the entire title page, then opened the book casually here and there to glance at the page headings. Then he closed it, gave a deep sigh, put the book to his lips and forehead, and then to his breast. As he folded his arms over it in a sort of embrace, Filotheos was startled to see that the man was crying. His own eyes began to moisten. Suddenly, as with 'a sound as of a rushing, mighty wind,' there came over the young man an almost fearful sense of mission. It was God who had brought him from Athens to Xanthi, just for this. Here was no accident, but a planned meeting. The direction and, still more, the quality of his life was being changed by the shock of this encounter. As the imam kindly proposed that the young man come to him for daily Turkish lessons, Filotheos saw about them the sudden glory which had come into his life—a glory which he felt would shine more and more brightly to the end.

Today, many years later, the Rev. Filotheos Zikas is pastor of a congregation in Alexandropolis, a small seaport in Thrace. His heart is still with the 100,000 Turkish Muslims, Greek subjects, who live within a day's journey of him. At his urgent request the Bible Society has sent out a member of his congregation who speaks Turkish and Albanian as well as Greek to visit one by one the many Turkish villages where no colporteur speaking their mother tongue has come for a generation.

Finding the Way Back With the Bible

THE Cleveland House of Correction is located in Warrensville Heights, Ohio. Chaplain R. M. Caver had received an urgent request from a number of the inmates for Bibles, which he relayed to the Division office of the American Bible Society. This was not an unusual request,



Secretary Hodges, left, presents Bibles to Chaplain Caver for the Cleveland Home of Correction

but it was both intriguing and challenging because it represented the interest of many, whereas in most such instances the request comes from one or two persons.

After a subsequent conference with Chaplain Caver, when it was learned he had been ministering to the institution for a number of years and that he had from time to time between 200 and 300 men to serve, it was agreed to provide a supply of Bibles to be placed in the institution's library for availability to any who wanted a Bible to read, and whenever they wanted to read it.

Accordingly, on Sunday, April 22, 1951, a service of dedication was held in the chapel of the institution, with Secretary Hodges of the Cleveland Division making the principal address. Says Secretary Hodges:

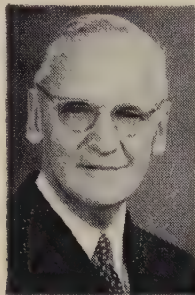
"It was interesting to stand and look into the faces of men who had made mistakes, and to know that some of them were desirous of living a better and more useful life and had decided to find their way back through the reading of God's Word. Two, particularly, came up and thanked me for the gift and gave the assurance that 'they certainly will be used.' I was happy indeed to be a part of this program, which developed because some of the men really wanted Bibles."

Here's What One Lawyer Did

MR. Frederick W. Smith is the head of one of the leading law firms in Newark, New Jersey. Impressed by the importance of supplying the Bible to the people of the world, so many of whom are asking for it in these

critical days, Mr. Smith sent the following letter to several hundred lawyers in his county. With it he enclosed a leaflet briefly describing the Society's processes.

There are doubtless many other lawyers who would gladly do the same. The Society would be happy to correspond with any who are interested. Inquiries should be directed to Robert T. Taylor, General Secretary, 450 Park Avenue, New York 22, N. Y.



Mr. Frederick W. Smith

Mr. Smith wrote as follows:
If a client for whom you are preparing a will or a trust agreement asks for advice about worthy charitable beneficiaries, will you keep in mind the work of an organization which I think is performing a great service in these troublesome days—the American Bible Society?

For 135 years it has engaged in the task of translating, publishing and distributing the Bible. It is non-sectarian, and under the provisions of its charter the Bible is published "without note or comment and without purpose of profit."

During the year 1950 it distributed Bibles and parts thereof in the United States in excess of any previous year in its long history. Demands from the fifty or more countries served by it are consistently increasing, bringing the total annual requirement well over 11,000,000 copies. New interest in and need for the Bible has been created by the advancing literacy programs of many nations.

I believe the organization to be soundly managed. I am informed that it has been paying annuities for more than 100 years from trust funds deposited with it and that there has never been a default.

Its annual report, containing financial statement and balance sheet, and information respecting its operations, may be of interest to you and will be sent if you request it.

The corporate name is "American Bible Society" and its address is 450 Park Avenue, New York (22), N. Y.

I sincerely commend this Society and its activity to you and to your clients, either as a direct beneficiary under a will or trust or as the donee of trust funds for the payment of an annuity.

They Never Saw the Bible Before

BY ARTHUR LINDVALL

EVERY YEAR during the last two weeks of July the city of Santa Ana, El Salvador, celebrates in honor of its patron saint, Saint Anne, supposedly the mother of Mary and the grandmother of Jesus. We have made special efforts to reach people with the Gospel during this time of fiesta. Last year the carnival was right across the street from Temple Bethel, with nine ferris wheels, merry-go-rounds, etc., and we had hundreds of people enter the church who had never been inside of a Protestant church in their lives. A literature table was placed in the entrance to the church, where hundreds of Portions were sold and thousands of tracts were given away.

This year the carnival part of the festival was about a block away, but we received permission to put up a Bible display in a large industrial exposition in a school half a block away from the church.

Although the material at hand was limited, with the cooperation of Ralph Rice, the representative of the American Bible Society, quite a presentable display was arranged, using Bible Society posters and Gospel portions and the illustrated edition of the Gospel of Luke. All of the different bindings and sizes of Bibles that we had on hand were displayed, as well as a comparison of the different versions of the Bible.

A large pulpit Bible on its own stand and opened to Psalm 51, with several verses underlined, drew a good bit of attention as people stopped to read the underlined portions. The New Testament printed in Spanish and Cakchiquel (a Guatemalan Indian dialect) attracted many who knew of that language.

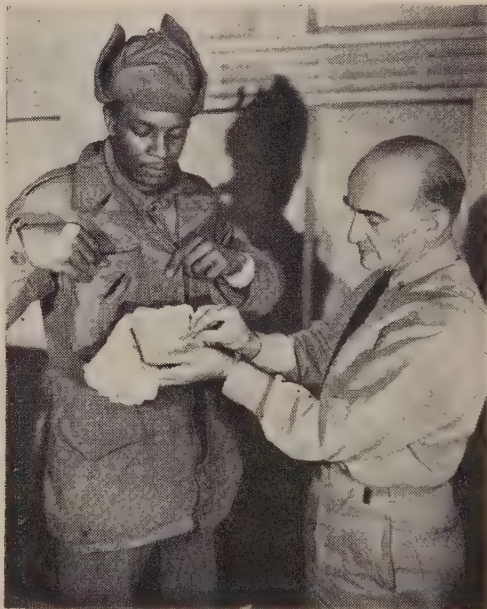
The exhibit that drew more comment than any other was the Braille portions of the New Testament. On the wall was placed a large placard announcing that THE BLIND CAN READ, with an arrow pointing to the open Braille Gospel of Mark. Almost every passer-by would shut his eyes and with his fingers try to read the

raised points. Volumes of Braille were sold to three blind persons during the exposition.

During the week 4,300 Portions of the New Testament were given away; 25 Bibles, 30 New Testaments and over 100 copies of the illustrated Gospel of Luke were sold. Hundreds of people now are reading portions of the Bible who have never read it before in their lives. Much prejudice against the Bible was removed by this exhibit.

A Colporteur Visits the Bible House

Among the summer's visitors to the Bible House were Mr. and Mrs. Oscar L. Smith of Arizona. The officer on the corner at the Bible House, like every-



Pfc. Finis Branham believes that his New Testament saved his life; it at least prevented a serious wound. The story is this: In a skirmish with Chinese Reds in Korea he found himself in a rain of bullets. Besides two minor wounds he discovered two bullets on his person. Both of them had pierced the New Testament he was carrying with a large packet of letters in his right-hand breast pocket. A 30-calibre bullet had gone at an angle through both the Testament and the letters and had come to rest in his pocket. A 25-calibre bullet had also struck the Testament diagonally, going through about three inches of the pages and stopping at John 12:46, which reads "I am come a light into the world, that whosoever believeth on me should not abide in darkness." This verse has in it the power to save life in much more than the physical sense. Private Branham says he never wants to be without a New Testament. Chaplain Charles F. Holland, who is shown in the picture pointing with the 25-calibre bullet to the verse where it stopped, has supplied Branham with another Testament to replace the one so badly shot up.



Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Smith at the Bible House

one else, was interested in Mr. Smith's big Hudson car, on the side of which was lettered "Distributor, American Bible Society, Tucson, Arizona."

Part of Oscar Smith's tireless service is his ministry to migrants. By the time the migrant workers were leaving his area it was felt that a thorough job had been done. Mr. Smith, who holds services in many of the camps, went back to one of them after it was supposed most of the people would be gone. He was amazed to discover many families still there and in dire need. The crops had been short and they had not saved enough to move on to the next harvest. Mr. Smith called a reporter, who went along as he returned to take food and fuel to the people in the camp. The story printed as a result brought a thorough investigation and reached the front pages of newspapers throughout the country. Relief was soon on the way, but it was the man with the "Bread of Life" whose timely visit helped bring physical bread to starving people in the midst of a land of plenty.

MEMBERS' FORUM

[Annual Membership in the Society is secured through a gift of \$5 or more for the carrying on of its work. The Society also provides for Life Membership, Life Directorship and Memorial Membership. Particulars will be sent on request. The editors welcome correspondence from members and devote this page in each issue to that purpose.]

From a business concern in Dallas, Texas:

We are very much pleased by the reports of your various activities around the world. The distribution of the Word is necessary for the spread of the Truth. (The gift was for \$100.)

From Wilmington, North Carolina:

I am sending you my check for \$16, to be used for your work of Bible distribution. This is the price of a beautiful Bible I saw recently and thought I would like to have. But I would rather have the money used to send the Word of God to others.

From Kenmore, New York:

Will you send me 50 copies of the Reading list for our women. I can hope for no greater blessing for them than that through their daily Readings they have faith and hope renewed daily, as I have this past year. Thanking you, and with a prayer that in these days, when people are looking everywhere else for a solution to our problems, both individually and nationally, we may be led to seek it where it really lies.

From Ann Arbor, Michigan:

Will you send me five copies of your yearly Reading schedule. I want to send one to each of my four grown children, so that we might be reading, and thinking somewhat, all together, although widely scattered geographically.

From Glen Ellyn, Illinois:

The enclosed check for \$25 is to be used in any way you think it will be the most useful. I am heartily in favor of the wonderful work you are doing and hope that you and the work will continue to be a blessing.

From Westkill, New York:

I am sending you a check for \$10. It was sent to me for my 78th birthday. I do so want to help some one to have a Bible who wants it and will read it. It is little I can do, but God and His Holy Word have the power; to Him be all the glory. My earnest prayers go up for you and your work.

From Berne, Indiana:

The Youth Fellowship wishes to send \$100 for Bibles to be sent to Korea in memory of James Shœemaker. Jim was taken Home suddenly three weeks ago in an auto accident. He was a student at Bob Jones University, where he was studying for the ministry. His death was a shock to the community, but

his life made its imprint on many, for he always had time to witness for Christ. He was an active Christian church-member and had preached in churches in surrounding communities quite frequently, especially this summer. Jim's going meant a lot to our club too. He was an active member, and his death has brought each of us closer to God.

The Youth Fellowship Club is a group of young people ranging in age from 14 years to 30 years. To join the club you must be a Christian. We have a club meeting every two weeks on Thursday evening, and on the alternate Thursday evenings we go to surrounding towns and do personal work on the streets. We have between 80 and 90 members, of whom about 25 or 30 are attending Christian colleges and universities. We all receive a great blessing through our Christian fellowship and personal work.

From Nampa, Indiana:

I have wanted a new Bible for some time, a thin one in a good binding. Some money was given to me for that purpose. Little by little I was reaching my goal, but I didn't feel too good about a new Bible when many have never had even one. Then, as I picked our berries I saw the way. With some of the money from selling berries I could send to you the amount my new Bible was to cost. So I have my new Bible. Enclosed is \$11.50 for Bibles for those who have none.

From San Diego, California:

Please send me 500 copies of "The Sermon on the Mount." It is excellent—so many people get a great blessing out of the book. Your last monthly magazine had some very heart-warming articles and testimonies. [This donor has sent a gift of \$100 every month for over five years. Ed.]

From Boxhoom, Iowa:

Here is my gift. It is all the proceeds from saw filing, which to date is now \$20. [With a previous gift of \$10 came the explanation that the donor did the saw filing in order to earn this tithe money, and that it was all going to the American Bible Society. Ed.]

From Old Greenwich, Connecticut:

I am enclosing a check for twenty dollars, which represents the sale of 20 sheets of Bible Seals I sold to my neighbors and friends. I appreciated having the old *Bible Society Records* I secured at your office to give out as I approached people. It made it an easy and pleasant introduction. Also, some people were not acquainted with the Bible Society, and it offered a good opportunity to get the reading matter in their homes.

From Terre Haute, Indiana:

I deeply feel that the Bible is the only answer to the distress in this world. May Our Heavenly Father bless your work. I am sending \$50, which I hope will help some.

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Bibles, Not Bottles

When more than 5,000 Augustana young people "took over" Colorado Springs and its environs for their 14th International Youth Conference, the people of the community suddenly discovered that there is a vast difference in conventions. The pastor of the First Presbyterian Church put it this way:

"This city has all too many bottle-centered conventions. It's a joy to see in our midst a *Bible-centered convention*."

Said a barber on Pikes Peak Avenue: "They were wonderful young people. I'd see them on the bus when I came down in the early morning—before 8 o'clock—happy, singing, carrying their Bibles."

Said one hotel man: "In the checkup of the rooms we were one towel short, but—the deal that sold the hotel operator on the kids—the towel was returned by mail from Berlin, Conn., on Friday."

The owner of a motel said: "These are the only people I've had who have made their own beds."

And here are the words of the Chief of Police, "Dad" Bruce: "A swell bunch of kids!"

A young lady from the Convention Bureau who worked on the registering expressed herself in this way: "It was the most wonderful group we've had here. I looked in at a number of the services and I was amazed at the reverence of the young people, especially at the reverence of the young fellows. American high-school boys are not particularly noted for reverence."

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The accompanying picture was taken at one of the Bible Society's Quiz programs entitled "The Living Bible" which has been broadcast every Sunday morn-



ing for almost ten years over Station WNEW, New York City. On this particular occasion all the contestants were blind. They were brought to the studio through the interest of a Young People's Group of a New York church.

It requires twenty volumes large Braille to comprise the whole Bible. Each contestant was presented with a Scripture volume of her choice. At the right is Dr. Jesse William Stitt, Quizmaster.

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Hymns About the Bible

The Hymn Society of America has issued an invitation to poets, hymn writers, clergymen and laymen "who have the gift of poetry" to write new hymns which will "express the spiritual significance of the Bible and its contribution to the life of the individual and of society."

The hymns selected will be used in the 3,000 community gatherings across the country to be held during the week of September 28 to October 5, 1952, planned to be a part of the celebration of the completion of the Revised Standard Version of the English Bible.

The deadline for the submitting of manuscripts for these new hymns is November 1. The manuscripts should be submitted to the office of the American Hymn Society, 297 Fourth Avenue, New York 10, N.Y. Those interested in submitting hymn texts may obtain a folder,

giving the specifications, from the Hymn Society.

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Advisory Council Meets in November

The Advisory Council of the American Bible Society will meet this year on Wednesday and Thursday, November 28 and 29. This is a week earlier than usual, and the change is made so as to avoid conflict with other important gatherings.

The Advisory Council consists of official representatives of some 50 denominations which support the Society. The Society serves the missionaries of all home and foreign mission boards whether denominational, inter-denominational, or independent. The Society's single mission is "to encourage the wider circulation of the Holy Scriptures without note or comment."

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August Meeting of the Board

A meeting of the Board of Managers of the American Bible Society in its one hundred and thirty-sixth year was held at the Bible House, 450 Park Avenue, New York 22, on Thursday, August 2, 1951, at 3:30 p.m., President Daniel Burke, LL.D., in the Chair.

Devotional exercises were conducted by Rev. Dr. Alvin A. Ahern.

A large increase in the distribution of the Scriptures in the United States for the second quarter of 1951, both to the sighted and to the blind, was reported.

Copies of the new Illustrated Book of Acts which came off the press in June were presented.

The need for large quantities of paper for the production of the Scriptures in Japan was reported.

Television programs on the Society's work during August and September were announced.

Treasurer Darlington gave a most interesting and enlightening report on his recent trip to London; on the meeting of the Standing Committee of the United Bible Societies in Sarpsborg, Norway; on his attendance at the 1900th anniversary of the First Journey of St. Paul to Greece; and on important conferences in Paris and in several publishing centers in Germany.

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According to a recent Post Office ruling, our subscribers are asked to inform promptly both their postmaster and the BIBLE SOCIETY RECORD at 450 Park Avenue, New York 22, N.Y., of any change of address. This will not only facilitate the prompt delivery of their paper but will avoid considerable expense.

From Here and There Around the World

Germany

EVER SINCE the close of the war in 1945 the American Bible Society has been aiding the German people in restoring their own extensive program of Bible production. For a time German Bibles were produced in the United States. Gradually, however, the German Bible Societies were supplied with paper and binding materials, printing machinery and funds, to rehabilitate the industry in Germany.

An intimate view of what all this has meant to Germany was given by Miss Jean Waltz in a recent letter to her friends at the Society's Pasadena (Calif.) office. In part Miss Waltz writes:

One day, between other duties, I went to the Bible Society in Stuttgart and was introduced to the executive, Dr. Emil Diehl. He took me with my interpreter on a personal tour for two hours, and I saw every department and every process which the Bible goes through in their factory. I saw where the buildings had been bombed during the war; most of them were destroyed except the room where the original plates are. In spite of war conditions everything is neat and immaculate. There is much repair work going on at present, but most of the time and money has been put into publishing the Bible first before repairing the damaged buildings. It is thrilling to see how the Lord preserved the original plates so the Bibles can be published again. In the waiting room is a large chart showing how many Bibles were sold each year, and one can compare the different years and see how, during war times, Bibles are always sold more than during peace times! . . . Dr. Diehl took me to each room and had the workers demonstrate each process—sorting, binding, painting edges gold and red, counting, cutting, etc. At the end of the tour he gave me a small brown leather Bible as a gift from his Society. Incidentally I saw the room where the supplies are which came from America. It warmed my heart to see what the American Bible Society had done in this major emergency in a great Bible-reading nation.

Pakistan

SCRIPTURE sales in West Pakistan during 1950 were 75 percent more than the previous year. Over 100,000 Scriptures were distributed. The completion of a gospel of St. John in Zangskari, spoken by several thousand people on the borders of Turkestan and Tibet, was announced by the Punjab Auxiliary of the Bible Society of India, Pakistan and Ceylon.

Denmark

SCRIPTURE distribution in Denmark forges ahead with encouraging progress. Except for the circulation of 55,000 copies of the Gospel of John which were donated by the American Bible Society in 1949, the 1950 circulation was about the same as 1949 and almost 16,000 above 1948.

The recently completed new revision of the New Testament has been used in three printings of the whole Bible and in two of the New Testament.

BIBLE SOCIETY RECORD

An edition of 134,000 lists for Bible reading for the year 1951 has been distributed among the churches.

Three thousand *kroner* have been granted for producing Scriptures for the blind. Also, young men just beginning their theological studies were presented by the Society with copies of Nestle's Greek New Testament and Kittel's Old Testament in Hebrew.

New Guinea

A nurse in a hospital in New Guinea writes:

Yesterday I talked with a full-grown lad in the tuberculosis ward, who must lie there for some months. He wanted to run away, which is something that happens here daily. After I had talked with him for a while, I asked if he could not read something. His answer was, "Nurse, I have nothing to read." I searched the ward for something for the poor lad to read. Fortunately, there was a teacher who was reading from a small paperbound copy of the Gospel of Mark. I asked if he had anything that this lad might read.



No, he had nothing besides this small booklet. (Think of it—a teacher!) And what did he do? He leafed through his precious booklet to the eighth chapter and then tore it in half at that place, so that the lonely boy might share the booklet. How happy the lad was! Until darkness fell, he lay there reading, quiet and relaxed.

Palestine

DURING 1950 two new Bible depots were established—one in the Hashemite Kingdom section of the old city of Jerusalem and the other in the coastal city of Haifa, which is in the Republic of Israel. While the Bible House in Jerusalem is still unusable, one of the colporteurs, Khalil Ma'rouf, says after a tour up and down the country, "I have spent eighteen years in Bible Society work, but I have never seen such a time when people so anxiously seek the Scriptures. Many of the refugees who left their Bibles behind feel the need to buy new ones. They bear witness how the Bible has changed their lives and how they now find it their best teacher and guide."

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Service Scripture Fund — \$156,000.



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